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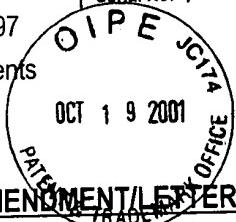
PATENT APPLICATION

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 Appln. Title: GDF-1 PROTEIN

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 Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231



Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: October 19, 2001

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

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	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	21	**minus 20	1	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$9	103/203
3. Independent Claims	3	***minus 3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) .....		add	+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0		104/204
5. Original due Date: September 19, 2001	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
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11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)		+ \$740/370	+ \$0			146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)		x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0			149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		+ \$740/370	+ \$0			1179/1279
14. Petition fee for		+ \$0				
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Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

This Reply is responsive to the Office Action dated June 19, 2001. Reconsideration of the claimed subject matter in view of the following Amendments and Remarks is respectfully requested.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please add the following new claims:

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--34. (New) The protein of claim 4, wherein said protein is encoded by a nucleic

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10/30/01* acid that hybridizes under conditions of 65°C and 1M sodium chloride to DNA having the nucleotide sequence as defined in Figure 2 or Figure 11A or 11B and remains bound when subjected to washing at 68°C and 0.3 M sodium chloride/ 30 mM sodium citrate (2X SSC).

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35. (New) The process of claim 24, wherein said protein is encoded by a nucleic acid that hybridizes under conditions of 65°C and 1M sodium chloride to DNA having the nucleotide sequence as defined in Figure 2 or Figure 11A or 11B and remains bound when subjected to washing at 68°C and 0.3 M sodium chloride/ 30 mM sodium citrate (2X SSC).--

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